



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 16, 1999

Timothy E. Kronquist, Esq.
Cook & Franke
660 East Mason Street
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RE: MUR 4913
Ryan for Congress, Committee, and
Larry E. Everhart, as Treasurer

Dear Mr. Kronquist:

On October 19, 1999, the Federal Election Commission accepted the signed conciliation agreement submitted on your clients' behalf in settlement of a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Accordingly, the file has been closed in this matter.

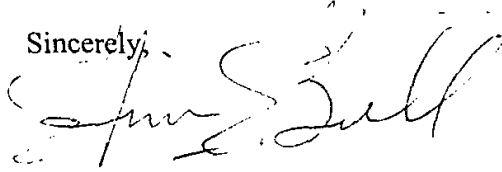
The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

Information derived in connection with any conciliation attempt will not become public without the written consent of the respondent and the Commission. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B). The enclosed conciliation agreement, however, will become a part of the public record.

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Enclosed you will find a copy of the fully executed conciliation agreement for your files.
If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Eugene H. Bull", written in a cursive style.

Eugene H. Bull
Attorney

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
Ryan for Congress Committee, and)	
Larry E. Everhart, as treasurer)	MUR 4913
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CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

This matter was initiated by the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. The Commission found reason to believe that Ryan for Congress Committee, and Larry E. Everhart, as treasurer ("Respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A).

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission and the Respondents, having participated in informal methods of conciliation, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, do hereby agree as follows:

I. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Respondents and the subject matter of this proceeding, and this agreement has the effect of an agreement entered pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(A)(i).

II. Respondents have had a reasonable opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken in this matter.

III. Respondents enter voluntarily into this agreement with the Commission.

IV. The pertinent facts in this matter are as follows:

1. Ryan for Congress Committee is a political committee within the meaning of 2 U.S.C. § 431(4), and is the authorized principal campaign committee for Paul D. Ryan's 1998 congressional campaign.

2. Respondent Larry E. Everhart is the treasurer of Ryan for Congress Committee.

3. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires principal campaign committees of candidates for federal office to notify in writing either the Secretary of the Senate or the Commission, as appropriate, and the Secretary of State of the appropriate state, of each contribution totaling \$1,000 or more, received by any authorized committee of the candidate after the 20th day but more than 48 hours before any election.

2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A). The Act further requires notification to be made within 48 hours after the receipt of the contribution and to include the name of the candidate and office sought, the date of receipt, the amount of the contribution, and the identification of the contributor. Id. The notification of these contributions shall be in addition to all other reporting requirements.

2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(B).

4. On October 19 and October 28, 1998, Respondents received 22 contributions of \$1,000 or more totaling \$36,500.00. The Respondents did not submit 48-Hour Notices for these contributions. The Respondents contend that they unintentionally and inadvertently failed to submit the 48-Hour Notices for the 22 contributions.

V. The Respondents failed to report campaign contributions of \$1,000 or more received on October 19 and October 28, which were after the 20th day, but more than 48 hours before the general election, within 48 hours of receipt of the contributions, in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A).

VI. Respondents will pay a civil penalty to the Federal Election Commission in the amount of (Six Thousand Dollars) \$6,000.00 dollars, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(5)(A).

VII. The Commission, on request of anyone filing a complaint under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) concerning the matters at issue herein or on its own motion, may review compliance with this agreement. If the Commission believes that this agreement or any requirement thereof has been violated, it may institute a civil action for relief in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

VIII. This agreement shall become effective as of the date that all parties hereto have executed same and the Commission has approved the entire agreement.

IX. Respondents shall have no more than 30 days from the date this agreement becomes effective to comply with and implement the requirement contained in this agreement and to so notify the Commission.

X. This Conciliation Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the matters raised herein, and no other statement, promise, or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party or by agents of either party, that is not contained in this written agreement shall be enforceable.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

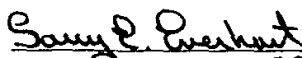
BY:



Lois G. Lerner
Associate General Counsel

11/15/99
Date

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:


(Name) Overholt
(Position) Treasurer

9/14/99
Date